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SUBJECT: SUGAR - Visit to the United States, June - July 1972 (SECRET)

REFERENCE: Our memorandum O-44, dated 29 October 1970, Subject: SUGAR, Activities During Visit to the United States, 24 September - 11 October 1970

1. SUGAR will return to the United States for a visit of several weeks beginning 21 June 1972. He will be in New York City for special training until mid-July and will then travel for about ten days on personal business and to renew old acquaintances.

2. We will appreciate receipt of any information on him affecting his security which may become available to your Bureau. As in the case of reference, we will provide you with any pertinent information obtained from him. We can also have him perform any appropriate tasks which your Bureau may desire to be done.

Please transmit reply via CACTUS channel

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1 - Mr. D. Ryan

March 9, 1972

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REVOLUTIONARY UNION

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised during February, 1972, that Davida Fineman, a member of the pro-Chinese communist, Marxist-Leninist Revolutionary Union, advised during February, 1972, that she continues to be in occasional contact with the individual known to your Agency under the cryptonym "Sugar," and she refuses to believe that this individual is employed as an operative of your Agency. Fineman stated that she is also in contact with Rene Raindorf, pro-Chinese communist Marxist-Leninist of Belgium.

Fineman indicated she was familiar with Roger Padgett (phonetic) who has served as a professor at Cornell University and at the University of Colorado at Boulder. The same source indicated that he too was acquainted with Padgett (phonetic) and that Padgett (phonetic) had admitted to the source he had worked for your Agency as an advisor to former President Sukarno of Indonesia for six years (S)

Fineman also volunteered that Gloria Steinem, prominent Women's Liberation advocate, was employed by your Agency. (S)

The above is for your information, and no further dissemination is being made by this Bureau.

1 - 105-93072 (Gibson)

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Revolutionary Union

NOTE:

Source is CG 7262-S, it being noted Fineman stayed at informant's residence in Chicago during the period 2/11-14/72. "Sugar" is the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) cryptonym for Richard Gibson, who is currently being operated in England by the Agency (S)

Classified "Secret" because unauthorized disclosure could compromise CG 7262-S as well as a CIA source and thus cause severe damage to defense interests (S)

Sent [to CIA] by form 0-14f dated 3/9/72. (S)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (105-186336)

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LEGAT, PARIS (105-5616)(P)

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ARAB TERRORIST ACTIVITIES  
IS - MIDDLE EAST

Re Paris letter dated 1/27/72.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 6 copies of an LHM setting forth information received from the Belgian Security Service (BSS), in captioned matter. LHM is classified "Confidential" inasmuch as information from the BSS is so classified. (C)

The BSS has requested any information available concerning (FNU) GIBSON, described in LHM as a Black American journalist who met with pro-Palestinian Belgian national ARON RAINDORF in London during December, 1971. (FNU) GIBSON is probably identifiable with RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON, a Black American journalist, born 5/13/31, at Los Angeles, California, who is the subject of Bufile 105-93072, and whose wife, JOY MARJORIE GIBSON, is a British citizen. (C)

London is requested to contact official British services to determine any information concerning contacts between GIBSON and RAINDORF (C)

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    (1 - Foreign Liaison Desk)  
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1 - Paris  
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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February 11, 1972

Re: Arab Terrorist Activities

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The following information was furnished by a  
confidential source abroad on February 4, 1972:

According to the source, a pro-Palestinian organization called the Palestine Committee-Brussels was organized during 1970 within the Belgian National Palestine Committee for the purpose of supporting Palestinian revolutionary activities. The Brussels Committee was headed by Luc Dupire, a Belgian national born on April 9, 1942, at Haine St. Paul, and the National Palestine Committee by Aron Raindorf, a Belgian citizen born on December 22, 1919, at St. Gilles. (C)

Following a period during which the two groups worked in harmony, a schism took place in November, 1971, which resulted in a new group being formed by Dupire and Yvonne Sterck which was called The Responsible Group for the National Palestinian Committee and the Palestinian Committee-Brussels without other members of either group being consulted. Raindorf, according to the source, is currently attempting to regain control over divergent elements and to restore order to the groups involved. (C)

In this connection, Raindorf traveled to London where he remained from December 26 through December 28, 1971, and met with one Gibson, described only as an American Negro journalist, and with an individual known as Manchanda, described as being of Pakistani origin. The source indicated Manchanda is probably identical to Albert Manchanda, a British citizen born on April 9, 1919, in India. Raindorf also traveled to Beirut, Lebanon, on January 20, 1972, and to Damascus, Syria, to meet with elements of the Fath and the O.L.P. which were not further described by the source. (C)

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**SUPPLEMENTAL CORRELATION SUMMARY**

(See Correlation Summaries dated 11/29/61 and 7/5/63, filed as  
105-93072-40 and 100 respectively.)

Main File No: 105-93072

Date: 4/21/71

Subject: Richard Thomas Gibson  
Gibson, One\*

Date Searched: 1/6/71

32 All logical variations of subject's name and aliases were searched and  
identical references were found as:

SUMMARY

Gibson, Richard Thomas  
Gibson, Richard  
Gibson, Chard  
Gibson, D.  
Gibson, Dick  
Gibson, R.  
Gibson, Richard

Gibson, Richard E.  
Gibson, Richard T.  
Gibson, Robert  
Gibson, Sugar (S)  
Gibson, Richard (S)  
Sugar, One (code name) (S)  
Sweet, John R.

This is a summary of information obtained from a review of  
all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the names  
and aliases listed above. All references under the above names  
containing data identical with the subject have been included except  
any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES  
NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY. References indicated in the block as  
SI contain the same information as the foregoing serial although the  
information may have been received from a different source.

THIS SUMMARY HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR USE AT THE SEAT OF  
GOVERNMENT AND IS NOT SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION. IT IS DESIGNED TO  
FURNISH A SYNOPSIS OF THE INFORMATION SET OUT IN EACH REFERENCE, AND  
IN MANY CASES THE ORIGINAL SERIAL WILL CONTAIN THE INFORMATION IN  
MORE DETAIL.

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\*Not searched. See page 21 of search slip.

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ABBREVIATIONS

Add. info.....Additional information appearing in this reference which pertains to Richard Thomas Gibson can be found in the main file or elsewhere in this summary. This information may have been received from a different source.

FPCC.....Fair Play for Cuba Committee

PD.....Police Department

WDC.....Washington, D.C.

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(c) [ NY 3164-S ] advised on 2/27/61, that Richard Gibson, former Acting Executive Secretary, FPCC, was at that time in Algeria and was employed in an editorial capacity for "Revolution Africaine". Source believed that Gibson had recommended Daniel H. Watts (105-96316) as correspondent for the above publication at the UN. \*

105-96316-5 ep.2  
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The "New York Times" on 3/24/61, in an article entitled "US Asks Court Bar Questions On Castro Foes in Miami Area", by Peter Kihss, reported that an unidentified US agency had intervened in a murder trial in Miami asking that questions about activities by Cubans in that area seeking the overthrow of Premier Fidel Castro of Cuba be barred in the trial. The article stated that the above intervention became known while the FPCC called for a Congressional investigation of CIA. Richard Gibson, acting national secretary of the FPCC, said he based his call on an announcement of a "Revolutionary Council" set up by the two major anti-Castro groups in Miami. Gibson said there had been reports of CIA support of an anti-Castro enterprise and that forces had been using Florida as a training and staging point for attacks against Cuba. He said that reckless CIA action could lead the country into a major war.

105-89923-A "NY Times" 3/24/61  
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CV 489-S and CV 288-S advised that Anton Emil Kuerti (105-144287) was among those who attended a reception in Cleveland, Ohio, on 5/24/61, for Richard Gibson, Acting Secretary of the FPCC, which was sponsored by the Cleveland FPCC.

105-144287-7 p.3

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SI 100-390323-14 p.11

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Norman Driscoll, Chief Clerk, Chase Manhattan Bank, NYC (protect identity), advised that one J. Mitchell (105-120655), 4823 28th Ave., Kenosha, Wisc., had negotiated a personal money order dated 6/9/61, in the amount of \$100.00 payable to Richard Gibson.

Add. info.

105-120655-2 p.1,3

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On 6/13/61, Richard Gibson was the main speaker at a public lecture entitled "Lessons of Alabama and Cuba" which was held at 604 University Street, Seattle, Washington. The affair was sponsored by the Student Council, FPCC and the Adult Group, FPCC.

Gibson spoke again on 6/14/61, at a public forum sponsored by the above groups and held at 4753 18th Ave., N.W., Seattle. He spoke about the aims and purposes of FPCC and explained that the purpose of FPCC was to tell the truth about Cuba.

Michael Edward Lyons (140-33894) had been present at both affairs.

Former SE 736-S

140-33894-8 p.3

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SI 140-29216-8 p.12

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DN 215-S advised that on 6/18/61, Richard Gibson of NYC, had been featured at a meeting of the Denver, Colo., Chapter of the FPCC. Gibson told the group how they should conduct themselves if interviewed by FBI Agents or called before the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

140-30768-8 p.9

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CG 6474-S stated that in August, 1961, Richard Gibson, acting National Executive Secretary of the FPCC, advised that those names on the addressograph maintained at FPCC headquarters, NYC, which did not include a letter and a number after the state would be eligible for renewal of their membership and/or subscription fee beginning in January, 1962. (u)

100-443866-19 ep.15  
(8)

CV 975-S\* advised that during the FPCC National Advisory Committee conference, 10/14,15/61, Richard Gibson mentioned that the publication "Fair Play", official publication of the FPCC, was then published by the Libertarian Press, NY, owned by David Dellinger (100-384411). Gibson stated that the FPCC owed \$300.00 to that concern and that ten thousand copies of the last issue had been printed.

Add. info.

100-384411-241 p.39,41,42  
(5)

(c) [ NY 3164-S ] advised on 3/29/62, that Daniel Watts (105-96316) commented on plans for the FPCC to hold a film and social evening at the home of a known member of the CP. Watts felt that Richard Gibson (no locality) was "stupid to get tied up with the communist that way". (u)

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105-96316-10 p.4,5,9,14  
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This reference in the file captioned "World Fellowship, Inc." sets forth information pertaining to a series of lectures presented by Richard Gibson during the period 7/23/62 through 7/26/62, at the World Fellowship Camp, Conway, N.H. The lectures were given in celebration of the 7/26/53 attack by Fidel Castro's forces on Santiago De Cuba and were in support of Castro. (Details set out.)

61-9200-259 p.20,21  
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(c) [ ] NY 3164-S advised on 8/23/62, that Richard Gibson had indicated that a split had developed in NYC between the pro-Castro Cubans and the Trotskyites, followers of the SWP, and that the split was especially apparent at the Casa Cuba Club, 691 Columbus Ave., NYC.

Add. info.

97-3874-26 p.4  
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CG 6474-S advised on 8/28/62, that John Alfred Rossen (61-10459) had read a letter from Richard Gibson of the FPCC national office in NYC at a meeting of the Chicago Chapter FPCC. The letter dealt with the distribution and handling of films and literature and financial problems of the national office.. Material on speeches by Fidel Castro had been sent under separate cover. (u)

CG 6259-S advised that Rossen had volunteered to contact and attempt to get Gibson as a speaker for a FPCC city-wide rally on 9/28/62.

Add. info.

61-10459-162 p.6,7,11,15,16  
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The State Department advised that on 1/10/63, March Schleifer, an American Marxist and journalist, provided information pertaining to the formation of "Revolutionary Africa (RA)", a magazine which was an organ of the Politbureau in Algeria. The editor of the English language section was to be Richard Gibson. Schleifer had worked with Gibson in the FPCC movement but had lost some of his confidence in Gibson as a true revolutionary after the latter "jumped" at a bureaucratic position with the Politbureau. Schleifer had lived with Gibson in Algiers and regarded him as the same type of man that Djilas (not further identified) had denounced in "The New Class" (not further identified). Gibson's position with the Maspero (not further identified) group, and thus the FLN (not further identified), predated his involvement in Cuban affairs. Schleifer pointed out that long before the Cuban revolution, Gibson had been working in France with the French "neo-Marxist" left. He had considerable editorial ability and should have been an asset to "RA". (c)

105-101579-42  
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SI 105-101579-44 p.5  
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"The Harvard Crimson", Cambridge, Mass., on 3/27/63, contained an article entitled "Worthy Raps U.S. Travel Control". The article concerned comments made by William Worthy (105-20110) in which he criticized C.B.S. News executives stating that CBS had used a double standard when they fired Richard Gibson and Robert Tabor. According to Worthy the two staff members who had been released after forming the FPCC "would still be working if they were anti-Castro".

105-20110-A "The Harvard Crimson"  
(8) 3/27/63

(c) [NY 3164-S] advised on 1/29/63, that Sarah Gibson was the wife of Richard Gibson.

NY 3246-S\* advised that in February, 1963, Sarah Gibson of the English Bureau, "Revolution Africaine", 7 Laferriere Blvd., Algiers, Algeria, communicated with Esther Jackson, of "Freedomways" magazine, regarding an exchange of subscriptions of "Revolution Africaine" for a subscription to "Freedomways".

NY 3246-S\* advised that in May, 1963, John Henrik Clarke of "Freedomways" magazine communicated with the editor of "African Revolution" and expressed his appreciation for a copy of that magazine and asked that his best regards be given to Richard Gibson and his family.

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100-434819-90 p.45,46  
(6)

John Stanley Peters, son of Hannah Ida Peters (105-121441) advised on 7/24/63, that his father, Edward Stanley Peters, had had some contact with the FPCC and on occasion had visited Richard Gibson, National Officer, at the NYC headquarters of the FPCC. On one occasion John accompanied his father. John stated that he was completely non-political, that he could not absorb the strange atmosphere in which Gibson traveled, and he very soon terminated the one contact with Gibson.

105-121441-8 p.5  
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NY 3877-S\* advised that on 7/30/63, an individual who identified himself as Taylor Adams, "an old publicity man retired from business for some years now" and a friend of Richard Gibson with whom he had done some work on the FPCC, had been in contact with Enrique Trujillo, Third Secretary, Cuban Mission to the UN, (62-77787-210) NYC.

[62-77787-210-800 ep.1] (S)  
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SI 100-439769-197 p.5  
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Conf. Source Rene Pelleya Justiz (protect identity) advised on 11/8/63, that Richard Gibson, former FPCC official, who had been in contact with Raul Roa Garcia, Cuban Minister of Foreign Relations, in New York in November, 1961, was in Africa. In Africa Gibson was writing for a magazine "African Revolution", which according to source was completely communist. The magazine's main office was in Switzerland.

[65-63987-210-422X ep.2] (S)  
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The following references in the file captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald" set forth information pertaining to the activities of Richard Thomas Gibson during the period March, 1960 through 12/9/63, in New York, Algeria, Cuba, France and Switzerland. Gibson, a journalist, had been head of the FPCC in the US and reportedly was a possible link between the FPCC and the Chinese communists. He worked as a journalist in Cuba and later in Algeria where he reportedly worked for the Algerian Government. From a reported conversation between Gibson and another individual in Switzerland there appeared a possible indication that Gibson had been acquainted with Oswald. Gibson was interviewed at the American Embassy, Paris, where he stated that he had no correspondence or knowledge of Oswald under the latter's full name. However, he had received a letter from one Lee Bowmont who had indicated an interest in organizing a FPCC in Ft. Worth, Texas, who possibly was Oswald. Oswald allegedly had been connected with the FPCC. The interviewer suspected that Oswald's pictures may have looked familiar to Gibson.

REFERENCE

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105-82555-88  
-157  
-355  
-1017 (Interview)  
-3835 p.23

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The following references in the file captioned "Robert Alexander Wood" set forth information pertaining to the activities of Richard Gibson during the period late 1959 through 2/3/64, in the United States, New York, Cuba, Europe, England, France, Switzerland and Algeria. Wood provided information pertaining to Gibson beginning with his first meeting in 1959 with Gibson when he offered his services to the FPCC. Wood, accompanied by Gibson's wife, left the US for Algeria where Gibson was editor of the publication "Revolution Africaine". Wood lived with Gibson in Algeria. According to Wood, after Gibson arrived in France he tried to get funds from the French CP without success and was embittered against the "comrades". Wood did not believe Gibson was a member of the CPUSA or any CP, but was an opportunist who rode high on which ever cause he could find. He believed Gibson could have been recruited for a good salary. Later Gibson was reportedly living in Switzerland where he was active among pro-Chinese communist elements. Further details set out.

REFERENCE

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100-353652-73 ep.2,6  
-74 p.2, ep.4-9  
-77 p.6,11

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The following references in the file captioned "Fair Play for Cuba Committee" set forth information pertaining to the activities of Richard Gibson, a former FPCC official, during the period Spring, 1960 through 2/6/64, in New York, Ohio, Africa, Algeria, France and Switzerland. Gibson, a self-styled Black Nationalist, served as Acting National Executive Secretary of the FPCC and following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy there had been contemplation of prosecuting ex-officials of the FPCC under the Foreign Agents Registration Act because of a connection between the FPCC and the President's assassin. Gibson had been described as a former comrade of the CP, but was later said to have begun plotting against CP members. During a Congressional hearing, Gibson refused to answer questions of the Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee. Gibson traveled to Africa and Europe where he worked as a journalist. In France he reportedly worked for a left-wing newspaper.

REFERENCE

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97-4196-899 ep.1  
-900 p.1, ep.1,2  
-902 p.32,33  
-A "NY Journal American" 11/23/63  
-A King Features Syndicate 11/27/63

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97-4196-26-60 p.2

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97-4196-34-81 p.4,7,24

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-83 p.2-4,10

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-86 p.3,14

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97-4196-50-26 p.23

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Bundesamt Fuer Verfassungsschutz, (BFV- West German Federal Agency for the Protection of the Constitution) (protect identity) advised that on 5/12/64, John Henrik Clarke, Associate Editor of "Freedomways" communicated with a John Taylor at the Hotel Rigynes, 18, Rue Des Abbesses, Paris, France, and suggested that Taylor see Richard Gibson, Editor of the magazine "Revolution", 40 Rue Francais ler, Paris. Clarke said that Gibson had many contacts in Africa. (S)

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100-434819-117 ep.2-4

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This reference sets forth comments of Richard Gibson in early January, 1965, regarding the leftist publication "Revolution" and communist China's role in its operation. Gibson, former editor of the English edition of the publication, related his association and dispute with the editor of "Revolution", Jacques Verges, in Algeria and Switzerland and Verges' handling of the affairs of the publication.

109-12-278-194

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The following references in the file captioned "Elizabeth, 'Betita' Sutherland" set forth information pertaining to Richard Gibson during the period 9/15/61 through 5/30/65. Gibson, who had been in NYC during part of the above period, had been Acting National Executive Secretary, FPCC and a supporter of the Monroe Defense Committee. Gibson had been in contact with Sutherland and another individual regarding taking photographic equipment to Cuba and obtaining a visa for the person delivering the material. Gibson said Sutherland could send a telegram to Cuba using his name as an official of the FPCC if (S)

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it would help in obtaining a visa. Sutherland and Gibson also discussed persons in Cuba who wanted to leave. Gibson mentioned having something published in the US rather than Cuba. Sutherland wrote a letter to Gibson dated 5/30/65 on the letterhead of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee regarding her activities and other matters.

REFERENCE

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105-21126-2 p.1,5-9  
-19 (Letter enclosed)

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The following references pertain to the investigations and/or hearings of Congressional Committees. Information regarding the activities of Richard Thomas Gibson was set out in testimonies of individuals and exhibits. Information set out covered the period 1950 through 6/11/65, in NY, Ohio, Cuba, France and Italy.

COMMITTEE

REFERENCE

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PAGE NUMBER

Committee on the Judiciary,  
US Senate

62-88217-2903 ep.28

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97-4057-29 ep.23,31,33

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97-4196-858 ep.160,169

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-859 ep.228,254,255

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-874 ep.339,342-346,

348,353,354,360,363

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105-80787-710 ep.341

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Committee on Un-American  
Activities, House of  
Representatives

105-66204-46 ep.842

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"The New York Times" on 6/13/65, contained an article entitled "Unit of Nationalists To Mark 5th Year; Asks Aid for Negro", which pertained to the fifth anniversary of a movement which had been started as the Liberation Committee for Africa (105-98055) by Daniel H. Watts, editor of Liberator, a publication of the Afro-American Research Institute, (AARI) Inc., and Richard Gibson. Gibson departed to concentrate on running the FPCC and was at that time a free-lance writer in Paris. In 1963 the organization became the AARI.

105-98055-A "NY Times" 6/13/65

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CIA furnished copies of letters dated 8/13 through 20/65, from Hodee W. Edwards (100-397465) to Sugar, who, because of operational considerations maintained contact with Edwards. The letters were of a political nature and contained an exchange of ideas between Edwards and Sugar. (S)

Letters enclosed  
100-397465-74  
(24)

Correlator's Note: Numerous references in the above file contain information pertaining to correspondence between Edwards, a former CPUSA member living in Ghana, Africa, and Sugar. Letter to Chicago dated 10/7/65, indicated that Edwards had been in frequent contact with Richard Gibson who was residing in England. (S)

The following references in the file captioned "Revolution" aka "Africa, Latin America, Asia Revolution", set forth information pertaining to the activities of Richard Thomas Gibson, a member of the editorial board of the above magazine, during the period 1/8/63 through 10/22/65, in Algeria, Switzerland, France, Florida and New York. Gibson had been editor of "African Revolution", English language edition of "La Revolution Africaine", which had been created by the Algerian Front of National Liberation and reportedly was the official publication of the Algerian Government. Gibson had been former Acting Executive Secretary, FPCC, and was reportedly expected to supply "Revolution" and postage for its mailing to the FPCC. He allegedly sent money to set up a distribution office in NYC. Gibson asserted that no one party dictated the editorial line of "Revolution" even though the magazine agreed with the Chinese communist position in "Marxist disputes". Gibson was said to have been working in France long before the Cuban revolution with the "French Neo-Marxist Left".

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97-4803-2  
-4 ep.1,2  
-5 p.2,4-6,15,16  
-6 ep.1  
-8 ep.2,3  
-15 p.2  
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-29 p.1,2,6-8

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97-4803-31 ep.4,9  
-36 p.2  
-44 p.1  
-51 ep.2  
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CIA advised that from information dated January 1966, one of their sources stated that Robert Taber (97-4223), a journalist and a founder of FPCC, was the best of a group that included Richard Gibson (no locality). (S)

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CIA advised on 1/28/66, that "Sugar" had reported that Susan Heiligman Frank (100-339235) was not known to him and that he was not aware of her travel plans. He could not come up with any reason for Frank having had in her possession his name and address. (S)

Frank, who had been active in pro-Chinese communist activities in the US, and reportedly had been a contact of Chinese communist intelligence in England, prior to leaving NYC for London, had made inquiry concerning the address of Richard Gibson, former FPCC head, who was a CIA source in London, utilizing the code name "Sugar". (Letter to NY, 2/10/66.) (S)

100-339235-238  
(5,24)

This reference in the file captioned "Maxwell Curtis Stanford, Jr" sets forth information pertaining to Richard Gibson during the period 1950 through 3/2/66, in France, Algeria, America and North Carolina. Gibson, who had been in France in the 1950's, returned to America and became a foreign correspondent for CBS. Following his becoming assistant chairman of the FPCC, Gibson was fired by CBS. He and Robert Tatum, who had formed the FPCC, became representatives for Fidel Castro in America. They began working in the FPCC to restore Castro's image. Gibson arranged a trip to Cuba for several individuals and had been involved in an incident in Monroe, N.C., in which a white couple claimed to have been arrested. Allegedly because of the latter incident Gibson went to Algeria. (u)

105-132791-29 p.G,H.

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Frank Mabry, Jr. (protect identity) advised on 9/29/66, that he had been told that Richard Gibson had been living in the Crystal Hotel, Paris, France, and had been working out of the La Royale Cafe, Paris. Mabry stated that he was attempting to obtain a letter of introduction to Gibson from Max Stanford, former secretary to Mabry, as he planned to travel to Paris, and also to convince Stanford that he could be a courier for the Revolutionary Action Movement. (100-442684).

Add. info.

100-442684-34-99 p.2-5

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CIA (protect identity), advised on 1/5/67 that the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee (62-88217) had allegedly been collecting information concerning Cuban subversive activity in the US and that one of the committee's investigators stationed in Miami, Fla., had been making inquiries concerning Richard Gibson. (S)

Gibson had been involved in the FPCC, a pro-Castro organization and then had allegedly changed his political views. He left the US and CIA began using him as a source of information. Gibson's CIA code name was "Sugar" (S) (Bureau memorandum, 1/6/67.)

62-88217-3000

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NY 3565-S furnished a list of individuals who participated in the Stockholm Conference on Vietnam which was held in Stockholm, Sweden, 7/6-9/67. The list included Richard Gibson (Stop It) (sic).

100-447368-22 p.26

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SI 100-447368-26 ep.3,24

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SI 105-170331-10 ep.24

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CIA on 8/31/67, furnished a copy of a Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) (100-439190) questionnaire which had been sent to Sugar (no locality) by Courtland Cox of SNCC. According to CIA, Sugar filled in the form and returned it to Cox. Sugar had been unable to determine the purpose of the worldwide files SNCC seemed to have been trying to develop. Sugar had been receiving the SNCC Newsletter and had sent his newsletter to Cox (S)

Document enclosed

100-439190-1496

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This reference in the file captioned "Deserters" pertains to an article which appeared on 3/20/68 in "Tidsignal", a leftist newspaper in Sweden, entitled "This is How LBJ's Agents Operate in Sweden" by Bo Hammer (not further identified). The article concerned alleged activities of US agents in Sweden to persuade American deserters in Sweden to return to the Army. It alleged that Richard Gibson, who professed himself to be a journalist and pretended to belong to the Black Power movement had been instrumental in persuading Ray Jones, one of the first deserters from the US Army in Sweden, to return to Frankfurt. Gibson, who lived in London, Eng., was said to have visited Sweden no less than four times and on his last trip had claimed to represent American Negro leader Robert Williams who was in China. According to the article Gibson's main interest at that time seemed to have been Jones. Jones' relationship with Gibson and attempts by the deserters to unmask American agents in Sweden were set out including their contacting Gibson in London for that purpose. Details set out.

42-0-53999 ep.4-6  
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In connection with a claim by the American Deserters Committee, Sweden, that agents for the CIA had tried to infiltrate the committee to break it up, it was determined at CIA that Richard Thomas Gibson, an informant of that Agency, had been maintaining some contact with US deserters. Gibson had been involved in at least one operation to influence a deserter to return to the US. Gibson also had been used by CIA throughout Europe as a penetration of Black Power and New Left groups and had been the source of considerable information from CIA. The impression had been received that Gibson had possibly been compromised and it could not be discounted that his involvement might become publicized including the allegation of a connection with CIA. (Brennan to Sullivan letter 3/22/68.) (S)

42-0-53895  
(13)

NY 6351-S on 8/2/68, furnished a list of "Guardian" (100-357044) contacts in England which were given to the participants of a "Guardian" sponsored tour of London, Eng. Included was Richard Gibson, 32 Hartswood Rd., Stamford Brook, London.

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US Army Intelligence, Fort Holabird, Md., on 8/6/68, provided a list of personalities with whom Roy Ray Jones (105-172600) came in contact while in Denmark and Sweden which included Richard Gibson. In data given by Jones and his wife, Gibson was said to have resided in London, Eng., was allegedly a representative of International News and Features and was suspected by Jones to maintain a liaison with the Chinese Committee for Afro-Asian Solidarity, Peking, China. Gibson tried to induce Jones to undertake a speaking tour in Egypt. Charles Kurasia, a student from Southwest Africa, and who was believed to have been associated with an African underground movement in Sweden, introduced Jones to Gibson. Kurasia and Hans Goeran Franck, a Swedish lawyer who was believed to head the Swedish Chapter of Amnesty International, suspected Gibson of being a CIA agent. (C)

105-172600-16 encl.2 p.8

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SI 105-172600-21 ep.8

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This reference pertains to an interview on 10/18/68, with Daniel Henry Watts (105-96316). Watts advised that one of the better writers on the staff for his magazine the "Liberator" had been Richard Gibson who resided in Europe and covered Africa, Asia and Europe. Watts asked if interviewers were acquainted with Gibson to which they acknowledged that a Gibson appeared on the masthead of the "Liberator". Watts also advised that Gibson had been involved in the FPCC. No significance could be attached as to why Watts asked if interviewers were knowledgeable regarding Gibson; however [it was believed CIA had an interest in Gibson.] (S)

105-96316-33 p.3

(9)

The following references in the file captioned "Robert Franklin Williams" set forth information pertaining to the activities of Richard Gibson, [aka "Sugar"], during the period 1963 through 9/8/69, in Algeria and England. Gibson, former FPCC Acting Secretary, reportedly had known Williams for ten years and had corresponded many times with him regarding publication of a book Williams had written and other matters. In 1963 Gibson went to Algeria and later to England where he eventually became overseas representative and correspondent for Negro Press International, Chicago, Ill. (S)

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REFERENCE

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100-387728-142  
-147  
-174  
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-298 p.1; ep.1  
-A "NY Times" 9/9/69

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This reference concerns questions that CIA was requested to pose to Richard Gibson regarding Howard Bruce Franklin (not further identified), while latter had been in France, Devida Fineman (not further identified), and any correspondence which Gibson maintained with the Revolutionary Union (105-184369) and its members. CIA advised on 10/28/69, that Gibson had not produced any information of value to those questions. Gibson had not been pressed for answers because CIA concluded that he would gain too much knowledge. CIA felt he should be operated on his own material and not on data received from other sources. CIA admitted that Gibson was "a handling problem" and questioned his reliability. (S)

105-184369-234  
(11)

The following references in the file captioned "International Conference to Support the Palestinian Peoples Armed Struggle (ICSP)" set forth information pertaining to the activities of Richard Thomas Gibson in connection with the ICSP which was held in Algiers, Algeria, 12/26-28/69. Gibson, who had been residing in London, Eng., arrived in Paris and departed for Algiers on 12/26/69. Gibson's name appeared on the list of participants in the ICSP. (S)

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105-200714-26 ep.2  
-38 ep.1  
-39 p.2  
-40 p.2 (S)

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REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY

The following reference on Richard Gibson was not available during the time this summary was being prepared.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-442308-13	(6)

The following references on Richard Gibson and Robert Gibson located in files maintained in the Special File Room of the Records Branch, Files and Communications Division, were not reviewed, and it is not known whether they are identical with the subject of this summary:

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
64-330-210-858 -1633	(2)
65-68250-176	(2)
65-68530-469X ep.3907,3913	(17)

The following references on Richard Gibson have been reviewed and are identical with the subject, however, the information pertaining to highly sensitive investigations and is not being included.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-442715-874	(6,26)
-917	(24)
-977	(6)
-984 p.8,13-15	(6)
-1126	(6)
-1206	(7)
-1264	(7)
-1277 p.3	(7)
-1280	(7)
-1472 p.1,ep.1	(7)
-1490 p.1,ep.1	(7)
-1519	(7)
-1581 p.2	(7)
-1653	(7)
-2052 ep.2	(7)
-2212 ep.6	(7)
-2240 p.2,ep.3	(7)
-2253 p.4	(7)
-2325	(7)
-2498 ep.6	(8,26)

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See the search slip filed behind file for other references on this subject which contain the same information (SI) that is set out in the main file. Although the information is the same it may have been received from different sources.

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November 12, 1970

BY COURIER

1 - Mr. D. Ryan

**SUGAR (R)**

*Delivered to CIA  
by CIA Courier  
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Reference is made to your informal memorandum dated October 29, 1970, (your reference O-44) enclosing 29 reports covering contacts of Sugar during his visit to the United States, September 24, 1970, to October 11, 1970.

In accordance with your request, the following comments on and evaluations relating to the validity and usefulness of the information in the reports are set forth:

1. Sugar's recent presence in the United States was reported by two sources of this Bureau. These sources expressed no suspicions relating to his activity or cover.

2. Based upon preliminary review, the information provided by Sugar appears accurate and generally conforms to information independently reported by our sources. Slight distortions noted were in accord with existing rumor or "talk" within domestic movement circles.

3. The information provided by Sugar is considered of good intelligence value, but not in itself of high or exceptional value. It confirms and supports information developed by Bureau sources and in several instances provides current assessments and useful investigative leads.

4. Sugar's obvious close association with Richard Ward (indicated in reports S-52 and S-56) would appear to offer him an opportunity to establish a stringer relationship with the weekly New York City left-oriented "Guardian," in the event this is in accord with the projection of his cover. Ward, in spite of criticism of the "Guardian," continues to be included as a staff member in the publication's masthead and his articles continue to be published. Although the "Guardian" has a United Kingdom address (13 Wood Ride, Orpington, Kent), no London correspondent is listed in its masthead. Both

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Ward and Wilfred Burchette (current "Guardian" Paris representative) have obvious close contacts with the Democratic Republic of North Vietnam representation in Paris and would appear to be in a position to provide an entree for Sugar to the North Vietnamese.

5. The detailed information furnished by Sugar relating to Ward (report S-56) suggests Ward as a likely candidate for approach. Our files indicate Sugar has been acquainted with Ward since 1967. We would very much appreciate receiving a current personality assessment of Ward by Sugar.

Your interest in referring the reports of Sugar to this Bureau is appreciated.

NOTE:

Sugar is CIA cryptonym for Richard Gibson who operates in behalf of CIA from London, furnishing coverage of European and Third World New Left and black extremists. The 29 reports furnished by the Agency on 10/29/70 covering Sugar's contacts while in the U.S. from 9/24-10/11/70 have been disseminated to appropriate field offices and Bureau files by Bulet 11/9/70, captioned "Richard Thomas Gibson, Information Concerning," Bufile 105-93072.

Richard Ward is included on the Security Index of the New York Office and he is a current staff member of the "Guardian." He was in contact with the North Vietnamese Diplomatic Mission in Paris in 5/70 and traveled thereafter to Hanoi and Laos for a five-week visit. According to the information made available by Sugar, Ward is critical of the "Guardian," the Soviets, and members of the New Left in this country. He is currently doing research on a book about American-Vietnamese relations and he claims this book will be scholarly, other than a propaganda piece. Based upon a current assessment of Ward by the Agency, we will consider interviewing him, looking towards his development as an informant.

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Director, FBI (105-93072)

Mr. D. Ryan

RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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For the information of Boston, Milwaukee, and New Orleans, captioned individual, a Negro male who was formerly active in the U.S. as a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, currently serves as a CIA informant based in England. He is assigned the CIA cryptonym "Sugar" and he operates under the cover of [redacted]

From his residence in London, Gibson furnishes coverage of European and Third World New Leftists and black nationalists. (S)

The identity of Gibson is afforded highly compartmentalized security within CIA and under no circumstances should any local CIA representatives be furnished any information

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- 2 - Chicago (105-10280) (Enclosures - 5)  
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2 - Philadelphia (Enclosure)  
2 - San Francisco (100-47327) (Enclosures - 12)  
2 - WFO (105-42103) (Enclosure)

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RE: RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON  
105-93072

regarding him or his activities. Information reported by Gibson should not be incorporated into any communication which will be afforded dissemination outside the Bureau. If necessary, the information he has furnished may be included on the administrative pages of an investigative report (S)

On 10/29/70 CIA made available to the Bureau by cover letter of the same date 29 separate reports covering the activities and contacts of Sugar during his visit to this country during the period 9/24-10/11/70 when he traveled to Chicago, Detroit, New York, Philadelphia, and San Francisco. These reports have been reviewed at the Bureau and are being forwarded as enclosures to this communication for appropriate offices. Recipient offices should carefully review the reports, insure their channelization to appropriate field files and/or indexing, and take any appropriate action necessary on the information contained therein. (S)

The following reports are enclosed for the following field offices:

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New York:

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San Francisco:

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NOTE:

The original CIA reports are being retained in the file of Richard Gibson. Xerox copies have been furnished the field, where appropriate, and additional Xerox copies are being furnished appropriate Bureau files as noted. The request set out in the Agency cover letter dated 10/29/70 for this Bureau's comments and evaluation of the validity and usefulness of the information appearing in Sugar's reports will be handled by separate communication.

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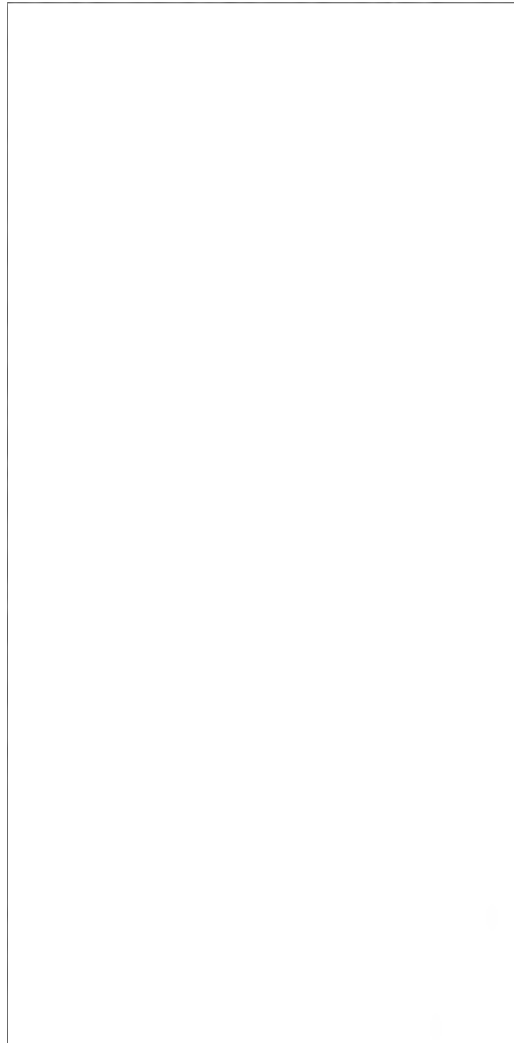
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29 OCT 1970

SUBJECT: SUGAR, Activities during Visit to the United States, 24 September - 11 October 1970

1. Attached are 29 reports (S-31 through S-59) covering the results of Subject's visit to the United States in September and 11 October 1970. During his visit, Subject went to New York, Chicago, Detroit, and San Francisco with a brief stop in Philadelphia. Following a listing of reports on his activities and contacts during this period:

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2. We would appreciate your office's comments on and evaluations of the validity and usefulness of the information in the attached reports.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-93072)

FROM : *mm* SAC, DETROIT (105-17055) (C)

SUBJECT: RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

DATE: 11/9/70

*ReBulet* to Atlanta, 9/17/70.

No information has been reported to the Detroit Office concerning the proposed meeting between subject and ROBERT FRANKLIN WILLIAMS.

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RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Bureau airtel 9/17/70 in above caption.

BECAUSE THE SOURCES NAMED BELOW ARE AFFILIATED  
WITH A HIGHLY SENSITIVE BUREAU COUNTERINTELLIGENCE  
OPERATION, ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN MUST  
BE PARAPHRASED TO PROTECT THE IDENTITIES OF THE  
SOURCES. (C)

On 9/26/70 RICHARD GIBSON called CG 6547-S and his wife,  
CG 6548-S at the informants' home who suggested to him that they  
meet at a downtown restaurant for lunch. GIBSON readily agreed.  
Informants spent about an hour with him. He told them that he was  
in Chicago to attempt to get on the payroll of "Tuesday Magazine,"  
a Black oriented weekly newspaper supplement, as an overseas  
correspondent. GIBSON indicated to the informants that he planned  
to travel to Detroit on 9/27/70 to meet with ROBERT WILLIAMS, and  
thereafter go to New York City. He did not mention that he would  
travel to San Francisco or any other US cities. (S) (C)

The informants and GIBSON discussed the civil war in  
Jordan. GIBSON commented that the move by King HUSSEIN against  
the Palestine Liberation Movement was the result of the policies

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- 2 - San Francisco (RM) [ (Ad Hoc Committee) (Research Section) ]
- 1 - 100-34639 [ (Ad Hoc Committee) (Research Section) ]
- 1 - 100-61722 [ (Ad Hoc Committee) (Research Section) ]
- 5 - Chicago [ (Ad Hoc Committee) (Research Section) ]
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of peaceful co-existence. He also assessed the outcome of the Jordanian crisis as a defeat for the guerilla forces under YASSIR ARAFAT. (S) (C) X

GIBSON mentioned to the informants that he had recently been in Amman, Jordan where he spoke with GEORGE HABASH, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. GIBSON indicated that HABASH was a strong leader; whereas, ARAFAT was weak and prone to compromise. (S) (C) X

GIBSON mentioned that DAVIDA FINEMAN a leader of the Revolutionary Union stopped in Belgium (probably in January, 1970) enroute home from the Palestine Liberation Conference held in Algiers, Algeria in December, 1969 where she contacted SERGE (Possibly SERGE PAIROUX, a Belgium communist) in an effort to purchase some firearms. According to GIBSON, SERGE would not assist FINEMAN in obtaining the firearms because she mentioned the name of RENE RAINDORF, a Belgium communist who has been active in the cause of Palestine Liberation. GIBSON claimed that RAINDORF is known in left circles in Europe "as CIA." (C) X

GIBSON asked the informants if he could meet with CG 7262-S whom he had met in Algiers last December. He was furnished the informant's phone number by CG 6547-S. (S) (C) X

On the evening of 9/26/70 GIBSON met CG 7262-S at a Chicago bar where informant is employed part-time as a bartender. Due to the circumstances under which they met, it was difficult for the informant to carry on an extended conversation with GIBSON. However, GIBSON did tell the informant the same story concerning his reason for being in Chicago; his intention of traveling to Detroit to see ROBERT WILLIAMS; his visit to Amman, Jordan; and the fact that he met during the day with the other two informants. GIBSON did not indicate that he would visit with BERGMAN or FINEMAN; however, he told the informant that BERGMAN and FINEMAN visited him in England as they were returning to the United States from the Palestine Liberation Conference in Algiers. (S) (C) mid X

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The original of GIBSON's letter being retained  
by Chicago. LHM concerning RAINDORF's presence in Amman,  
Jordan to follow. (C) *h*

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# Richard Gibson Reports

## International news & features

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\* 32, Hartswood Road  
Stamford Brook  
London, W12 9NA

19 September 1970

Dear Herb and Comrades,

Just a hasty note to let you know that René and Gilbert have recently returned from Amman with news about the desperately critical situation there. Nevertheless, we believe the situation is excellent for the revolutionary forces, despite the seemingly crushing weight of the reactionary, imperialist forces.

Throughout Europe, initiatives are being made by comrades, especially in regard to Arab embassies, needling them or coaxing them to show solidarity with the Palestinians or demonstrating against the most reactionary (e.g. the Jordan Embassy here was occupied by students yesterday). Cables, letters and personal calls are being made to Arab governments and their diplomats throughout Europe, and the Iraqi and Syrians shamed for their inactivity, despite all their past verbal support of the Palestinian Revolution. It would be especially useful for you comrades in the States to inform René and me of any activity that you are engaged in on Palestine and please send us for republication texts of any statements, cables, etc.

Manu and Diane send you fraternal greetings. They are now married, by the way, and await reinforcement in the revolutionary ranks in December!

There is a possibility I might make it to the States sometime this fall. If so, I will try to come to Chicago to give you a first-hand report on the situation in these parts, as well as the Middle East.

Fraternally yours,

*Richard*

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[SUGAR]

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Reference is made to your informal memorandum dated September 14, 1970, relating to Sugar's intended visit in the United States during the period September 20 - October 18, 1970. (S)

This Bureau desires to be advised of all pertinent contacts of possible investigative or intelligence interest to this Bureau that are made by Sugar during his travel in the United States. (S)

For ready reference purposes and for possible assistance in the direction of Sugar in this country and abroad, there is enclosed a list of individuals associated with the Weatherman faction of the Students for a Democratic Society who are presently in a fugitive status, and a list of black extremist fugitives. Any information Sugar may develop relating to the whereabouts of any of these individuals would be of value to this Bureau. (S)

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NOTE: "Sugar" is the CIA cryptonym for Richard Thomas Gibson, a former U. S. black militant who is currently operated by the Agency from London. Gibson has widespread contacts with leftists and black extremists in both Europe and the U. S. By separate communication we are alerting appropriate field offices to the expected presence of Gibson within their field office territories. Classified "Secret" because it relates to a sensitive CIA source, compromise of whom could cause serious damage to the national defense interest, and also because Agency incoming so classified. (S)

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**INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH WEATHERMAN  
FACTION OF SDS WANTED AS FUGITIVES BY THE FBI  
SEPTEMBER, 1970**

- |                        |                             |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. William Ayers       | 13. Michael Justesen        |
| 2. Judith Bissell      | 14. David Klafter           |
| 3. Silas Bissell       | 15. Howard Machtinger       |
| 4. Kathie Boudin       | 16. Celeste McCullough      |
| 5. Judith Clark        | 17. Wendy Panken            |
| 6. Bernardine Dohrn    | 18. Terry Robbins           |
| 7. Ronald Fliegelman   | 19. Robert Roth             |
| 8. John Fuerst         | 20. Mark Rudd               |
| 9. Naomi Jaffe         | 21. Michael Spiegel         |
| 10. Leonard Handelsman | 22. Carolyn (Carlie) Tanner |
| 11. John Jacobs        | 23. Lawrence Weiss          |
| 12. Jeffrey Carl Jones | 24. Cathlyn Wilkerson       |

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**INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE BLACK  
NATIONALIST OR EXTREMIST MOVEMENT IN  
THE U.S. WANTED AS FBI FUGITIVES  
AUGUST 25, 1970**

1. Linda Joyce Austin  
Violation: CAA - Piracy
2. Tyrone Elington Austin  
Violation: CAA - Piracy
3. Byron Vaughn Booth  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: CAA - Piracy, Kidnapping
4. Nathaniel Jerome Burns  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAP - Attempted Murder
5. Hubert Geroid Brown  
Known Affiliation: SNCC  
Violation: UFAP, Bond default
6. Leroy Eldridge Cleaver  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAC, Bond default
7. Donald Lee Cox  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAP - Conspiracy to Murder
8. Angelea Yvonne Davis  
Violation: UFAP - Murder, Kidnapping
9. Earl Andrew Ferrell  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAC, Robbery
10. Merrill Dennis Harvey  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: Bond default

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11. **Ronald Boyd Hill**  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: Escaped Federal prisoner
12. **Claude Elvin Hubert**  
Known Affiliation: US  
Violation: UFAP - Murder
13. **Edwin Steve Jackson**  
Known Affiliation: Black Action Council for  
United Progress, Champaign,  
Illinois  
Violation: UFAP - Murder
14. **Raymond Johnson, Jr**  
Violation: CAA - Piracy
15. **Vallejo Ryan Kennedy**  
Violation: SSA, Bond default
16. **Larry Neil Mack**  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAP - Conspiracy to Commit  
Murder and Arson
17. **Edward Meredith Martin**  
Violation: UFAP - Assault with intent to murder
18. **Marion Ernest McMillan II**  
Known Affiliation: SNCC  
Violation: SSA, Bond default
19. **Henry Mitchel, Jr.**  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAP - Assault with intent to murder
20. **John England Morris, Jr.**  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAP - Assault with intent to commit  
murder, Assault with deadly weapon
21. **Richard Allen Napier**  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAP - Murder

22. Gwendolyn Joyce Patterson  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: CAA - Piracy, Kidnapping
23. James Joseph Patterson  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: CAA - Piracy, Kidnapping
24. Grady Love Breazeale  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: ITSMV - Bond default
25. Allan Sidberry  
Violation: UFAP - Murder
26. Clinton Robert Smith, Jr.  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: CAA - Piracy, Kidnapping
27. Maxwell Curtis Stanford, Jr.  
Known Affiliation: RAM  
Violation: UFAP - Assault, Bail jumping
28. Gail Melvina Truly, aka  
Gail Melvina Robinson  
Violation: Bond default, Federal Fugitive Process  
issued Los Angeles for Bank Robbery
29. Harry Okeon Truly  
Known Affiliation: BSU  
Violation: Bond default, Federal Fugitive Process  
issued Los Angeles for Bank Robbery
30. Donald Ray Williams  
Known Affiliation: SNCC  
Violation: UFAP - Possession of Marijuana
31. Wendell Woods  
Known Affiliation: BPP  
Violation: UFAP - Assault with intent to commit  
murder, Kidnapping, Robbery

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CIA  
VIA COURIER

14 SEP 1970

SUGAR's Visit to the United States

1. This is to advise you that SUGAR will be in the United States from about 20 September to 18 October 1970, for Agency consultation purposes. SUGAR will probably visit the following cities: New York, Chicago, Detroit, Atlanta, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Philadelphia to meet with old friends and become re-acquainted with the scene in the United States.

2. We will provide you with any information that SUGAR receives during his "grass roots" trip that would be of interest to your agency.

3. We will advise you of any projected changes in his itinerary.

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1 - Mr. Wannall  
1 - Mr. Ryan

To: SACs, Atlanta  
Chicago  
Detroit  
Los Angeles

New York (105-42387)  
Philadelphia  
San Francisco (100-47327)  
WFO (105-42103)

From: Director, FBI (105-93072)

RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(RESEARCH SECTION)

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Captioned individual, a Negro male, who was formerly active in the U. S. as a leader of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, currently serves as a CIA informant based in England. He operates under the cover of "overseas representative and correspondent" for "Negro Press International," which is allegedly a Chicago-based firm. From his residence in London, Gibson furnishes coverage of European and Third World New Leftists and black nationalists. (S)

CIA has advised Gibson will be in the U. S. for consultations with the Agency during the period 9/20-10/18/70. During this period it is anticipated Gibson will visit New York City, Chicago, Detroit, Atlanta, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Philadelphia to visit old contacts and to "become reacquainted with the scene in the United States." (S)

From past experience, Gibson may be expected to endeavor to contact Negro militant activists in all the above cities, and specifically he will probably be in contact with the pro-Chicom Revolutionary Union in San Francisco and Leibel Bergman and Davida Fineman who are associated with this organization. He very likely will endeavor to contact the Ad Hoc Committee for a Marxist-Leninist Party, USA, in Chicago and members of the Republic of New Africa in Detroit and Philadelphia. He has been closely associated with Robert Franklin Williams in the past and may be expected to endeavor to contact him in Detroit. (S)

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In the event the presence of Gibson comes to the attention of recipient offices, the Bureau should be promptly furnished all details, but no specific inquiries or investigation should be conducted. The identity of Gibson is afforded highly compartmentalized security within CIA and under no circumstances should any local CIA representatives be furnished any information regarding Gibson or his activities. (S)

NOTE: Gibson operates for CIA under the cryptonym "Sugar." He has traveled to the U. S. on similar missions in the past and, as in the past, we are instructing the Agency by separate communication we desire to be advised the results of any contacts he makes in the U. S. (S)

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1 - Mr. Ryan

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May 5, 1970

*del via 5-5-70*

RICHARD GIBSON

Reference is made to your memorandum dated April 20, 1970, your reference I-216, requesting the source of an article from the February, 1970, edition of the London publication, "Synic," relating to subject, which was forwarded to you by routing slip dated April 4, 1970. (S)

This article was obtained by our Legal Attache, London, presumably from a review of the public press.

It is noted in December, 1969, Leibel Bergman, the theoretical leader of the militant Maoist San Francisco-based Revolutionary Union, according to a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, indicated shortly after meeting Gibson he distrusted him because of Gibson's reputed affiliation with the Central Intelligence Agency. At this time, Davida Fineman, also a member of the Revolutionary Union (and the former paramour of Gibson), defended Gibson, repeatedly stating the charges against him were unfounded and the "same old stuff." Nevertheless, Bergman at the time persisted in his suspicion of Gibson. (S)

As a matter of additional interest, in February, 1970, Bergman commented that during his travel the previous month abroad, he had met with Gibson in London and stayed overnight at the Gibson residence. At this time, Bergman stated he found Gibson to be charming, likable, sophisticated, intelligent, but hung-up on a feeling of self-importance. Bergman described Gibson as doing "good work," but stated Gibson is not as important as he believes. (S)

From the above it would appear Bergman, who may be described as an astute tactical Marxist-Leninist, now accepts Richard Gibson. Any additional pertinent information believed to be of interest to you regarding the activities of Richard Gibson will be promptly made available. (S)

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DeLoach  
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**RICHARD GIBSON**

**NOTE:**

The above information was furnished by six Ad Hoc Committee (AHC) informants who have been in close contact with Leibel Bergman during the past several months. The AHC is an intelligence cover operated by this Bureau. Richard Gibson is a source of CIA operated under the Cryptonym "Sugar" who furnishes coverage of left-wing and black nationalist activities in Europe and Africa. (S)

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SUBJECT: Richard GIBSON

Please advise if the attached clipping from SYNIC, dated late February 1970, a copy of which your Headquarters office sent this office on 10 April 1970, was obtained in this country or abroad, and if abroad, where.

Attachment: a/s

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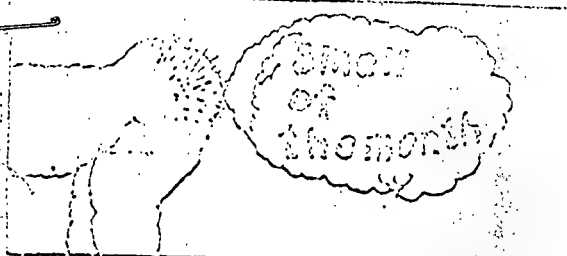
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# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706)

DATE: 3-9-70

FROM : LEGAT, PARIS (157-26)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY  
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS  
RM - BPP

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The Service de Documentation Exterieur et de Contre-Espionnage (SDECE), French foreign intelligence and counterespionage service, advised on March 6, 1970, that DAVIDA FINEMAN, DONALD WRIGHT and RICHARD GIBSON, who attended the First International Congress of the Palestine Committees in Algiers December 26-28, 1969, were met on their arrival in Paris on January 6, 1970, by JULIA HERVE, nee WRIGHT, and her husband HENRI HERVE, Black Panther leaders.

This information was previously reported to the Bureau from another French source in PARlet January 19, 1970, captioned "International Conference to Support Palestinian Peoples Armed Struggle, IS - Middle East; DAVIDA FINEMAN, SM - RU (Bufile 100-446389), RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON, IS - CU (Bufile 105-93072)." (S)

They requested information available to us regarding these individuals.

Background information from Paris Office files has been furnished regarding FINEMAN and GIBSON.

No information is available to Paris regarding DONALD WRIGHT except that which was furnished to the Bureau in connection with his recent visit to Paris when he met LEIBEL BERGMAN and FINEMAN and proceeded to Algiers. (S)

Request information available to Bureau regarding DONALD WRIGHT which can be disseminated to the SDECE. (S)

- 4 - Bureau  
(1 - Liaison Section)  
(1 - San Francisco)

5 - Paris (105-1270; 105-5778;  
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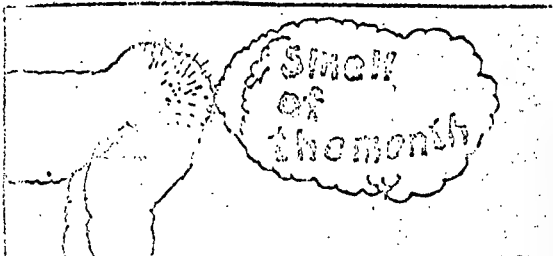
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SUBJECT : Leibel BERGMAN  
Herb BLOCK

REFERENCE: Our memorandum of 6 February 1970, Subject:  
Davida FINEMAN and Leibel BERGMAN

1. A sensitive source has reported that Leibel BERGMAN and Herb BLOCK share a deep detestation of the Progressive Labor Party (PLP). BLOCK stated that he was convinced that the PLP was secretly run by the CPUSA and that he (BLOCK) had learned that Fred JEROME's mother, Alice JEROME (a prominent member of the PLP) had secretly attended a Party school in the Soviet Union after being publicly associated with the PLP.

2. The main reason that BLOCK and his wife wanted to visit China was to continue denunciations of the PLP. BLOCK was convinced that his previous communications with the Chinese about PLP had had some effect and that the PLP would shortly be "derecognized" by the Chinese.

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Director, FBI (134-17534)

1 - Mr. D. Ryan

DN 447-S  
(RESEARCH SECTION)

Enclosed for information of Chicago and Denver is an informal CIA report dated 2/6/70, captioned "Donald Wright, Black Panther Party Member, Travel to Algiers." It is noted the subject of this report is known to both the Chicago and Denver offices.

It is believed the CIA source mentioned in the enclosed report is identical to "Sugar," the identity of whom is known to the Chicago Office. It would appear the information in the enclosure is sparse and erroneous when compared to information furnished by DN 447-S and other sources.

Enclosure

1 - Denver (170-169) (Enclosure)

1 - 100-442715 (AHC)  
1 - 105-93072 (Gibson)

DR:sfw

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NOTE:

DN 447-S is identical to the subject of Agency report dated 2/6/70, and "Sugar" is an Agency source known to the Bureau. We are carefully following information furnished by "Sugar" to determine its accuracy and also as a means to measure the accuracy and coverage of Bureau sources reporting in the same area.

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SUBJECT: Donald WRIGHT, Black Panther Party Member/  
Travel to Algiers

A confidential source has reported that Donald WRIGHT of Chicago, born on 9 March 1936, traveled to Algiers to attend the First International Congress of Support for the Palestinian People held on 27-29 December 1969. WRIGHT is a member of the Black Panther Party and the Chicago Ad Hoc Committee for a Marxist-Leninist Party. WRIGHT met with Eldridge CLEAVER in Algiers. WRIGHT remarked that CLEAVER had talked about visiting North Korea and did not appear eager to return to the U.S.

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SUPPORT PALESTINIAN PEOPLES  
ARMED STRUGGLE (ICSP), ALGIERS 12/26-28/69  
IS - MIDDLE EAST  
PARfile 105-5778 (P)

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DAVIDA FINEMAN  
SM - RU  
Bufile 100-446389  
PARfile 100-2479 (RUC)

RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON  
IS - CU  
Bufile 105 93072  
PARfile 105-1270 (RUC)

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RePARlet 1-19 70 captioned "International Conference  
to Support Palestinian Peoples Armed Struggle (ICSP), Algiers  
12/26-28/69, IS - Middle East; LEIBEL BERGMAN, IS - CH."

On 1-15-70 the Renseignements Generaux (General  
Investigative Section), Police Nationale (RSPN), France  
advised that captioned individuals together with one  
DONALD WRIGHT, a Negro born 3-9 36 at Chicago, are presently  
in Paris. They reportedly arrived on 1-6-70 from Algiers  
where they participated on 12-26-69 in the International  
Conference to Support the Palestinian Peoples Armed  
Struggle. (S)

The RSPN stated that upon their arrival in Paris  
these three individuals were met by JULIA WRIGHT HERVE, who  
is known to the Bureau. They were lodged at the Centre  
International Protestant du Parc Montsouris (International  
Protestant Center of Parc Montsouris), 8 villa du Parc  
Montsouris, Paris 14. Paris files show that the office of  
"Afrique-Continent," which is headed by HENRY HERVE, the  
husband of JULIA WRIGHT HERVE, is located on the fourth  
floor of the Centre International Protestant du Parc Montsouris. (S)

1 - Bureau  
(1 - Liaison Section)  
4 - Paris  
(1 - 105-4464, JULIA WRIGHT HERVE)

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Letter to Director, FBI

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RE: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TO  
SUPPORT PALESTINIAN PEOPLES  
ARMED STRUGGLE (ICSP) - 12/26-28/69 (S)

Our French source stated further that these individuals reportedly were about to depart for Communist China. We have alerted the RGPN to our interest in any additional information concerning such travel and they have agreed to advise us expeditiously. In this connection it should be noted that we have received similar comments from the Direction de la Surveillance du Territoire (DST), French domestic counterespionage service, but during a recent discussion with a representative of the DST, he advised that the statements relative to possible travel to Communist China were nothing more than speculation on the part of a DST employee. We will continue to keep the Bureau promptly advised of further developments. (S) X

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SAC, Chicago (100-41353)

1/26/70

Director, FBI (100-442715)

- 1 - Mr. G.C. Moore
- 1 - Mr. S.J. Papich
- 1 - Mr. D. Ryan

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR A  
MARXIST-LENINIST PARTY, USA (AHC)  
IS - CH  
(RESEARCH SECTION)

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ReCGairtel 1/14/70 enclosing the business card of Richard Gibson which was received from Gibson in Algiers by an AHC informant. This card indicates Gibson is an "Overseas Representative and Correspondent" for "Negro Press International" with head office in Chicago and home address of 35, Long Acre, London, W.C. 2, telephone 240-0480. His cable address is listed on the card as "NEPRIN," London, W.C. 2. (S)

Reference is also made to CGlet 1/14/70, AHC caption, enclosing an LHM of the same date captioned "Black Panther Party - Algerian Colony." Page 6 of this LHM sets forth that on 1/3/70 Black Panther Party leader "in exile," Eldridge Cleaver, in Algeria characterized Gibson as a well-known CIA agent. (S)

Chicago is requested to make inquiries to determine if Gibson, the Negro Press International, or "NEPRIN" are listed in local telephone directories or otherwise registered in the Chicago area. Advise the Bureau results of your inquiry.

1 - 105-93072 (Gibson)

DR:sfw  
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NOTE: Gibson, a former leader of the Fair Play For Cuba Committee in the United States, has been operated for a number of years in Europe by CIA under the cryptonym "Sugar." The Agency has targeted him against Negro nationalist and pro-Chicom elements and, as a result, his path has frequently crossed the paths of our informants operating under the AHC cover. Chicago is aware of Gibson's CIA involvement. Purpose of this inquiry is to determine if Gibson has any actual ties in Chicago area which could conflict with AHC. (S)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-93072)

DATE: 1/3/70

FROM : SAC, WFO (105-42103) (RUC)

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SUBJECT: RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON  
IS - CU  
(OO: Bureau)

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For the current information of the Bureau and recipient office, the following, derived from review of subject's passport file by SA GERARD C. CARROLL at the Passport Office, U. S. Department of State on 1/2/70, is being set forth. Mrs. SHIRLEY ABBOD, Foreign Operations Division of the Passport office, had notified SA KENNETH J. HASER that subject had recently obtained a new passport in London, England. (C)

Passport Z-1057628 (valid until 11/9/74) was issued to the subject at London, England, on 11/10/69. In an affidavit, also dated 11/10/69, to E. T. VANGAS, U. S. Consul in London, subject claimed that on 11/8/69, after passing the French exit immigration control at Orly Airport, he apparently dropped his passport Z-414374. British immigration authorities permitted him to land, upon production of his "home office certificate of registration G 662567". Subject added that Air France later reported that his passport was not found at Orly. In requesting a new passport, subject explained that he was scheduled to fly to Brussels on the morning of 11/12/69. (C)

MRS RICHARD THOMAS GIBSON  
In his application for the above passport, subject listed his address as 32 Hartswood Road, London, ENGLAND indicating that his wife, JOY M. GIBSON, resided with him at this address. He advised that his travel plans were indefinite and that he intended to reside abroad for business reasons. (C)

- 2 - Bureau  
1 - New York (105-42387) (Info) (RM)  
1 - WFO

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Subject's passport file contained a communication from the American Embassy in Bern, Switzerland to the State Department, dated 1/23/68. It reported that subject, who was traveling by train from Milan to Geneva with his wife, was removed from the train by Swiss immigration authorities on 1/20/68 at Brig. Subject's wife contacted the American Embassy by phone from Brig requesting direct intervention with the Swiss. It was subsequently ascertained from a responsible Federal Foreigners' Police (FFP) officer that the subject had been expelled from Switzerland on 9/12/63 for his political activity and association with the magazine, "La Revolution Africaine". On 12/16/63, the Bundesanwaltschaft (Federal Police and Justice Department) issued an order prohibiting subject's re-entry into Switzerland. However, since his whereabouts were unknown, notification of same could not be sent to the subject. The FFP officer stated that if the subject had applied for entry into Switzerland during the week instead of the weekend, he might have been authorized limited entry. According to this officer, the subject should write to the Bundesanwaltschaft in Bern concerning the incident at Brig and request that he be furnished a reason for it. He would then receive a copy of their order and would have opportunity to appeal the decision within 30 days. (S)

As stated in the above communication, subject's wife affirmed that the subject had made several trips to Switzerland subsequent to 1963 without any difficulties. She claimed she intended to protest to the International Press Institute concerning the Swiss authorities. (S)

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: October 28, 1969

FROM : S. J. Papich

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SUBJECT: STOKELY CARMICHAEL  
ELDRIDGE CLEAVER  
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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Reference is made to memorandum dated 10/20/69, received from CIA setting forth information from a sensitive source to the effect that "Carmichael remained in Africa because he feared that President Nixon would try to arrest him for the assistance he had given Eldridge Cleaver in fleeing to Cuba." The Liaison Agent has been endeavoring to obtain an evaluation of this information. (S)

On 10/27/69, Richard Ober, CIA, advised that the source of the information was "SUGAR" (Richard Gibson). He stated "SUGAR" did not furnish any additional details. He further confided that because of past experiences, the reliability of the information could definitely be questioned. In the past, "SUGAR" has furnished information of a general or nonspecific nature. (S)

## ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Racial Intelligence Section.

- 1 - Mr. Moore (Nugent)
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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RICHARD GIBSON IN LONDON CONTACTS DETROIT CONCERNING DEPARTURE  
OR ROBERT WILLIAMS FROM LONDON

FR: London: Richard GIBSON<sup>a</sup>

12 Sep 69

TO: Detroit: 1685 Murland, Brother IMARI<sup>b</sup>

<sup>c</sup> Rob and <sup>d</sup> Milton took off without incident at 0945 London time  
and should be arriving Detroit around noon your time. Yours in the  
struggle.

a. U.S. citizen who was an organizer for the Fair Play for Cuba  
Committee and an editor for the English language section of Rev-  
olutionary Africa, Algiers, in 1963. He is a frequent contact of  
Robert WILLIAMS.

b. Richard HENRY, brother of Milton HENRY. Both HENRYs and WILLIAMS  
gave a press conference in Dar-es-Salaam, on 19 May 68, announcing  
the separatist Negro nation the "Republic of New Africa" of which  
WILLIAMS is the President.

c. Robert WILLIAMS, Negro militant who fled the U.S. 25 1969  
WILLIAMS and his lawyer, Milton HENRY, arrived in Detroit on 12 Sep 69  
on a special flight from London.

d. Milton HENRY, a Pontiac, Michigan, lawyer. On 11 Sep 69, Tony SMYTHE (N/I)  
in London, informed Conrad LYNN (long-time associate of WILLIAMS and a  
militant civil rights lawyer) in New York that he (SMYTHE) wanted to  
know what was wrong with Milton HENRY's non-cooperation.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-184369)  
FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-61281) (P)  
SUBJECT: REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU)  
IS - RU  
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

OO:SF

Re Bureau letter dated 12/11/68, "DAVIDA FINEMAN;  
SM-RU; (NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)" and San Francisco letter  
dated 1/13/69 in the FINEMAN matter, requesting that Bureau  
have CIA interview "SUGAR" regarding DAVIDA FINEMAN.

Enclosed herewith are ten copies of an LHM captioned  
"RICHARD GIBSON; INFORMATION CONCERNING." Single copies of  
instant LHM furnished for the information of Chicago, Los  
Angeles and New York.

The source in the LHM is SF 3169-S, and the LHM  
has been classified "SECRET" in order to protect SF 3169-S,  
the CIA "SUGAR" operation, and the sensitive LEIBEL BERGMAN  
intelligence investigation.

- 5 - Bureau (Encls. 10) (RM)  
    (1 - 100-446389; DAVIDA FINEMAN)  
    (1 - 100-446765; HOWARD BRUCE FRANKLIN)  
    (1 - 100- ; RICHARD GIBSON)  
1 - Chicago (105-27305) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)  
1 - Los Angeles (100-72077) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)  
1 - New York (105-100707) (Section 311) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)  
5 - San Francisco  
    (1 - 100-61722; DAVIDA FINEMAN)  
    (1 - 100-56804; HOWARD BRUCE FRANKLIN)  
    (1 - 100-47327; RICHARD GIBSON)

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In view of this latest development, it is most strongly urged that the Bureau, through liaison, have CIA interview "SUGAR" specifically concerning the following points:

- (1) Any and all knowledge "SUGAR" has concerning activities and contacts of HOWARD BRUCE FRANKLIN while the latter was in France.
- (2) Any and all knowledge of DAVIDA FINEMAN. In this connection, it is suggested that CIA be requested to encourage correspondence between "SUGAR" and FINEMAN.
- (3) "SUGAR" furnish CIA with all correspondence to and from the RU and that "SUGAR" be directed in a logical way to encourage such correspondence with the RU.

In view of LEIBEL BERGMAN's admitted difficulties over communications with Red China and lack of knowledge of current events in that country, it is believed that if "SUGAR" can favorably establish himself with the RU as a contact in Europe he will be able to furnish valuable information on any other contacts the RU may attempt to establish on the Continent and might even be utilized as a cutout by BERGMAN for the RU.

In view of the delicate nature of the information contained in the LHM, the Bureau may wish to restrict dissemination to CIA only.

In referring the above requests to CIA, the Bureau should insure the bona fides of "SUGAR" as a CIA operative and his reliability lest SF 3169-S be compromised.

San Francisco will continue to follow this matter with SF 3169-S.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Francisco, California

June 13, 1969

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RICHARD GIBSON  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

In June, 1969, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that at an Executive Committee meeting of the Revolutionary Union (RU) held on June 8, 1969, DAVIDA FINEMAN read a letter which she had received from RICHARD GIBSON, whom she described as a Negro who resides in Europe and whom she knew while she was in France. This letter was a run-down on the Marxist-Leninist-Mao groups in various countries in Europe and described some of these groups as revisionists who support the new working class, e.g. technicians and other highly skilled labor, and support a broad united front which would include various members of the bourgeoisie. C

According to this source, BRUCE FRANKLIN in no uncertain terms described GIBSON as a CIA agent who was exposed as such and had to flee France lest he be killed. FRANKLIN stated that he had proof of GIBSON's affiliation with CIA. LEIBEL BERGMAN, on the other hand, stated in no uncertain terms that BRUCE FRANKLIN's allegation was completely untrue and that GIBSON had been thoroughly checked out when BERGMAN, himself, was in Red China and had been found to be all right. BRUCE FRANKLIN continued the argument by stating that he could prove that GIBSON was a CIA agent because some friends of his in France had been exposed and arrested shortly after their introduction to GIBSON. S

At the Executive Committee meeting, it was decided that LEIBEL BERGMAN and the FRANKLINS were to iron out their differences about GIBSON amongst themselves and it was further decided that the RU may be in contact with GIBSON. S

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RICHARD GIBSON

A characterization of the RU is  
contained in the appendix.

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REVOLUTIONARY UNION,  
ALSO KNOWN AS  
RED UNION, BAY AREA  
REVOLUTIONARY UNION

In September, 1968, a source advised that the Revolutionary Union, commonly known to its membership as the Red Union (RU), was formed in early 1968 as a covert, revolutionary, Marxist-Leninist organization ideologically oriented toward Communist China, which it views as the model of the correct revolutionary Marxist-Leninist line as developed through MAO Tse-tung. The RU advocates the necessity of violent revolution and open guerrilla warfare to overthrow the existing political system in the United States and effect radical changes in this nation, and some members are collecting firearms, explosives, and other weapons and have engaged in guerrilla warfare and firearms training. In the San Francisco Bay Area, the RU consists of three locals, one each in San Francisco, the East Bay, and the Peninsula.

In April, 1969, a second source advised that the RU partially surfaced during that month through advertisements in select "New Left" periodicals, identifying three members of the Executive Committee as public spokesmen and offering for sale select writings of the RU, including a "Statement of Principles," in the form of "The Red Papers." With the exception of the three publicly identified spokesmen, the general membership of the RU will remain covert; however, individual members are free to reveal their RU membership to close political associates as the necessities of political effectiveness dictate.

The RU's published "Statement of Principles" calls for the smashing of the existing state apparatus by the United States working class and the establishment of communism and the dictatorship of the proletariat; recognizes the necessity of violent revolution and organized armed struggle to achieve those ends and calls for the creation of a revolutionary party based upon Marxism-Leninism as developed through MAO Tse-tung.

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APPENDIX

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Director, FBI (100-442715)

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR A  
MARKIST-LENINIST PARTY, USA (S)  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

1 - Mr. Ryan

ReCGlet 11/7/66 relating to correspondence dated  
10/25/66 received at the Ad Hoc Committee (AHC) post office  
box from Richard Gibson. (S)

For your confidential information, in the past  
the Central Intelligence Agency has prepared and widely  
disseminated bogus copies of "The Crusader," the publication  
of Robert F. Williams. For this reason, you should be most  
circumspect in citing Williams or his writings in connection  
with this intelligence operation. As previously authorized,  
Williams should be maintained on the AHC mailing list. (S)

The material relating to Williams, forwarded to the  
AHC by Gibson, is interesting from an intelligence viewpoint  
and your prompt attention in forwarding it to the Bureau is  
appreciated. (S)

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AHC is intelligence operation of this Bureau projected  
as a legitimate domestic pro-Chicom organization. Gibson,  
who resides in England, is an operational source of the  
Central Intelligence Agency active in the black nationalist  
and pro-Chicom field in Europe. Chicago is aware of Gibson's  
Central Intelligence Agency status. Gibson has corresponded  
with the AHC and is forwarding pro-Chicom material as well as  
the current letter authored by Williams critical of the Cubans.  
Williams is an American Negro black nationalist who fled the  
United States after indictment on a kidnapping charge. He  
currently resides in Peking where he is militantly pro-Chicom  
and anti-United States. (S)

- ① 105-93072 (Gibson)
- 1 100-387728 (Williams)

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- 1 - Mr. S. Papich
- 2 - Mr. D. Ryan

Airtel

To: SACs, Chicago (100-41353)  
San Francisco (100-54721)

From: Director, FBI (100-~~27115~~)

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR A  
MARXIST-LENINIST PARTY, USA  
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ReCGairtel 11-12-68 speculating that Davida Fineman, Hodee Edwards, and Paul Richards, all of whom have been associated with the CIA source known as "Sugar," are affiliated with the CIA in an operation in this country.

Through Bureau liaison on 11-15-68, it was determined from CIA that the Agency has had no contact or connection, either direct or indirect, with Fineman, Edwards, and Richards and that these individuals are not under the direction of the Agency.

In connection with this operation and the investigation of the Revolutionary Union, Chicago and San Francisco should bear in mind the likelihood that Fineman and Richards may very likely be in current contact with the CIA source known as "Sugar" although there is no indication they have knowledge of the Agency's relationship with "Sugar."

DR:jth  
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NOTE:

Above information received by Bureau Liaison Representative Papich from CIA Liaison Officer Jane Roman.

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Date: 11/12/68

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Via AIRTEL

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442715)

FROM SAC, CHICAGO (100-41353)

SUBJECT: *Richard Gibson*  
AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR A  
MARXIST-LENINIST PARTY, USA  
IS-C *Refer*

Re Chicago airtel to the Bureau dated 10/20/66 and Bureau airtel to Chicago dated 10/26/66, which contained allegations regarding RICHARD GIBSON.

Re New York letter to the Bureau dated 11/9/66 and Los Angeles letter to the Bureau dated 11/28/66, both which contain information concerning DAVIDA FINEMAN.

Re Bureau letter to Chicago dated 10/20/67, cc San Francisco, and San Francisco letter to Chicago dated 10/30/68, both which contain information concerning HODEE EDWARDS and PAUL RICHARDS.

Enclosed herewith for San Francisco are Xerox copies of the referenced communications concerning RICHARD GIBSON and DAVIDA FINEMAN.

According to SF 3169-S, one DAVIDA FINEMAN is currently active in the Revolutionary Union in San Francisco and source described her as a person who obviously has money inasmuch as her apartment is expensively furnished and she has some good quality paintings.

Bureau (RM)  
San Francisco (Enc. 8) (RM)  
(1 - 100-61231) (RED UNION)  
(1 - 100-61508) (DAVIDA FINEMAN)  
Los Angeles (Info) (RM)  
(1 - 100-68827) (DAVIDA FINEMAN)  
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Referenced communications concerning RICHARD GIBSON reflect that in 1966 former CG 5908-S, when in contact with pro-Chinese communists in Italy, was apprised of the suspicion of the Italians concerning RICHARD GIBSON, specifically that he was a CIA agent. In connection with their suspicions, the Italians requested the informant to check on one DAVIDA FINEMAN, who was ostensibly traveling with GIBSON as a translator. It was subsequently learned that FINEMAN was residing in Paris at that time but had been a resident of New York City. Referenced communications from New York and Los Angeles concerning FINEMAN identify her background. Chicago has no additional information concerning this person and does not, in fact, have sufficient knowledge to determine whether the person traveling with GIBSON in Europe in 1966 is identical with the DAVIDA FINEMAN who has emerged as part of the Revolutionary Union. C

The Bureau and Los Angeles are requested to furnish to San Francisco any information which would assist in effecting an identification of this person, it being believed by Chicago that the definite possibility exists that the person traveling with GIBSON is in fact identical with the current member of the Revolutionary Union.

Chicago would desire to know when FINEMAN returned to the United States and if she has any recorded activities within left wing movements since returning. It would seem that her emergence in the Revolutionary Union is highly suspect in view of the probability of her former association with GIBSON. As GIBSON's identity is known to the Bureau and the interested office, it would seem that the implications of a CIA operation are clearly apparent. C

In this connection, San Francisco letter of 10/30/63 reflects that HODEE EDWARDS has apparently returned to the United States from England and San Francisco is presently attempting to verify her residence. In connection with EDWARDS, it will be recalled that she had written to the Ad Hoc Committee while a house guest of RICHARD GIBSON in London concerning some theoretical aspects of pro-Chinese ideology and that GIBSON, while in contact with CG 6547-S in Chicago, had furnished the C

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name of PAUL RICHARDS, son of EDWARDS, as a good person who had been active in the communist movement on the west coast. RICHARDS recently wrote to the Ad Hoc Committee expressing his favorable attitude toward the ideology as expressed by the Committee and the possibility exists, therefore, that he was prompted to do so on advice from his mother, HODEE EDWARDS. /c

The totality of these events suggest that CIA has effected operations in this country with the possible intent of attempting to arrange for travel to China, and Chicago strongly suspects not only FINEMAN but EDWARDS and RICHARDS as being part of these operations. /c

Chicago respectfully requests any information the Bureau may have in this matter.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442715)

DATE: 5/21/68

SAC, CHICAGO (100-41353)

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR A  
MARXIST-LENINIST PARTY, USA  
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Re Bulet dated 10/20/67 concerning PAUL RICHARDS and  
Bulet 4/26/68 concerning M. I. LASKI.

Attached to each copy of this communication is a  
xerox copy of a letter dated 4/23/68 from RICHARD GIBSON to  
the AHC. This letter was furnished to SA ROBERT R. GLENDON  
by CG 6547-S on 5/8/68.

For information Milwaukee, GIBSON is referring to  
PAUL RICHARDS in the third paragraph of this letter. As  
Milwaukee may desire to utilize this information in report  
form such must be paraphrased and the source to identify the  
characterization as RICHARDS is CG 6547-S who met with GIBSON  
last year in Chicago. Milwaukee is requested to review Bulet  
dated 10/20/67 for instructions regarding the AHC. Chicago  
would also suggest that GIBSON's name not be used in any  
report.

The Bureau's attention is invited to the comment in  
paragraph two regarding M.I. LASKI and in particular that  
which notes that LASKI alligned himself with MIKE BAKER in  
London who now professes an anti-MAO line. It would appear  
that LASKI in his headlong rush to gain international  
recognition has again created friends inimical to his own  
primary interests.

If the Bureau desires a fraternal letter to directed  
to GIBSON such will be promptly prepared.

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- 2 - Los Angeles (RM) (encl. 2) (1 - M.I. LASKI)
- 2 - Milwaukee (RM) (encl. 2) (1 - PAUL RICHARDS)
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23 April 1968

Dear Herb,

Please forgive my slowness in answering your letter of February 12. Much has been happening here, not all of it for the best, as far as I can see, but I still believe that the sharpening racial and class contradictions in Britain -- and elsewhere in Europe -- in recent weeks will provide an excellent situation in which Marxist-Leninists can work more vigorously than in the past here. But there still remain many other internal contradictions, personality conflicts, distorted reflections of the Cultural Revolution, etc. that must be resolved. I wish I could write in greater detail, but I am certain you understand, with your experience, far more than I do.

Concerning "Comrade" Laski, nothing further has been heard of him since he left here for Paris. His great comrade here, Mike Baker, who published a huge interview with Laski in his publication, Red Front, also took to attacking what he now calls "Mao's ultra-Left clique." Whether Laski approves of Baker's new anti-Mao line, I cannot say, but birds of a feather do flock together...

The person living with me that you mentioned in your letter is a lady, mother of the young student at the University of Wisconsin that you met at my hotel in Chicago when I was last there. He is still very much in the revisionist party, although deeply disturbed by its general reformist, not to say capitulationist line, yet still greatly swayed by some of the CPUSA tame intellectuals, particularly Apteker. I do wish you comrades might help him to understand the correct line and find a way forward.

Give my regards to your wife, who I trust has now completely recovered from her bout of poor health.

Fraternally yours,

*Richard*  
Richard Gibson

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TO: Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Attention: Mr. S. J. Papich

FROM: Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT: SUGAR  
Activities of Russell Stetler and John Gerassi, US Citizens

*Rec'd  
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1. The information below was acquired by SUGAR from a former employee of the London-based Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation (BRPF) who talked with Allan Krebs, an American leftist who is Director of the Free University in New York City and who is close to Russell Stetler and John Gerassi.

2. Stetler spends most of his time travelling between the US and London to consult with Ralph Schoenman, Director of the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation (BRPF) regarding the Foundation's activities. There are now only three officials in the BRPF. Stetler is undecided about his political future and is considering the possibility of returning to graduate school. Schoenman does not have innumerable BRPF funds at his disposal and sometimes there are great financial crises. At times Stetler is very bitter about Schoenman's methods of operation and often feels that the latter "cells down the river those who work for him".

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3. John Gerassi, a member of the International War Crimes Tribunal's first investigating team to North Vietnam in December 1966 and January 1967, was in Cuba the week of 3 July 1967. He is no longer on friendly terms with Ralph Schoenman, and apparently went to Cuba for a different reason than that of Schoenman, who was there in late June 1967.<sup>1</sup>

4. Gerassi told Krebs that he will publicly support the Tribunal, but that he is physically unable to work with Schoenman. It is due to the "fight" between the two individuals that Gerassi did not attend the First Session of the Tribunal in Stockholm which was held in early May 1967.<sup>2</sup>

*John*

5. It is requested that no action be taken on the basis of this information without prior coordination with this agency.

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1. Source Comment: While in London during the week of 17 July, Gerassi said he was en route to Havana where he was to be an observer at the Latin American Solidarity Organization (LASO) Conference. He believed the Cuban attitude was changed considerably in the past year and that the Moscow-leaning Communists are losing all their influence. The former repressive measures in Cuba against homosexuals, beatniks and other deviants have been dropped. Concerning the International War Crimes Tribunal, Gerassi appeared convinced that the Tribunal's Second Session will be held in Stockholm rather than in Copenhagen or some other city. He said that he will testify at the event in any case.

2. Field Comment: The First Session of the Tribunal was sponsored by the BRFF and was commonly referred to as the "Bertrand Russell War Crimes Tribunal". This designation however can no longer apply inasmuch as cumulative reporting, since the Stockholm meeting, indicates that the BRFF and the Tribunal are separate entities with independent motivation, direction and control. According to various sources, the Second Session of the Tribunal is scheduled to be held in Copenhagen, Denmark beginning 20 October 1967. It is not known whether or not the BRFF will support the Copenhagen event.

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Rec from  
R. O'Brien, CIA  
4/22/68  
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TO: Director  
FROM: Deputy Director for Plans  
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